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### LOCAL DRIFT

Have you the Christmas spirit?

Only two more days till Christmas. Better do your shopping.

A case of diphtheria is reported in the family of Juan Moreno.

Court is nearly over and most of the attorneys have returned home.

S. D. Smith, the "Overland" man, from Holbrook, was in town Monday.

School district No. 11 will close tomorrow afternoon for the holiday season.

E. I. Whiting has a number of men engaged in hauling hay from the Meadows.

The trial jurors for this term of court were dismissed Monday evening by Judge Crosby.

Pupils of district No. 11 will entertain the public at the academy today at 2 o'clock p. m.

Many of the students of the academy, who live in other towns, have gone home to spend Xmas with home folks.

Mr. John B. Jolley was brought home from his ranch at the Meadows, Tuesday, very ill and at this writing is seriously ill.

E. M. Whiting and son, E. J. Whiting, have moved down from their sawmill. We are informed that the mill is closed for the winter as the water is frozen.

Mr. Casimiro Padilla and Miss Luz Candelaria, two of Concho's most popular young people married, Monday, Dec. 20th in the Catholic Church at Concho by Father Derichemont.

The entertainment which was to have been given Tuesday night by district No. 1, was postponed indefinitely, on account of diphtheria, and the school was closed last Monday morning.

Mr. Ellis Neilson and wife and brother, Edward, came in from Ramah, N. M. We are informed that Ellis and wife will remain with us this winter. Ed returned Tuesday and was accompanied by Dalbert Willden.

William Jones, son of the late Eleazer Jones, who is now living at Whhite River was in town Monday night, leaving the next morning. He was accompanied by Mr. Peterson, Indian Agent of the White River Agency.

### BEE SWARM.

Last Saturday evening the Beehive girls swarmed at the academy and gave to the public an entertainment that was worth many times the amount charged for admission.

A delightful program was rendered, only girls taking part although many of them were in male attire and proved to the vast audience that they could act the part assigned them. After the program the benches were removed and games of all kinds were participated in, and the old became young once more taking part with all the vigor of youth. Candy, nuts, cake, pies, etc. were on sale and at such low prices, that no trouble was had in disposing of the stock on hand.

All went home rejoicing and hoping that the bees will swarm again in the near future.

### ADMITTED TO THE PIONEERS HOME.

Last week, Judge, George H. Crosby, Jr., issued an order for the admission of Col. A. F. Banta to the Pioneers Home at Prescott.

Col. A. F. Banta is 72 years of age and the greater part of his life has been spent in Arizona actively engaged in different pursuits of life. He served Apache county twice as District Attorney, once as Probate Judge. He founded the Arizona Pioneer newspaper, the Argus, at Holbrook, Pick and Drill, at Prescott and others. His last venture in this line was the establishing of the Observer at St. Johns. He is well and widely known in almost every part of Arizona and is authority on the different historical items of Arizona, having an unflinching memory for dates and events.

The HERALD-NEWS has received her new dress for an Xmas present. And in the near future we are in hopes that we will be able to enlarge its pages, thus giving to the public a larger, cleaner and more attractive newspaper.

We have been informed that M. P. Peterson has bought the entire sheep holding and ranches of B. B. Crosby, the price paid was near \$35,000 and is one of the largest deals that has taken place in the county this year.

### SUPERIOR COURT.

As per schedule, the grand jury drawn for the December term of court, met Saturday, Dec. 11th and were in session until Tuesday evening. They had under consideration—among other things—the law of prohibition.

They returned three true bills and a recommendation to the effect that the peace officers be more diligent in following up and maintaining the law of prohibition.

The trial jury was called for Tuesday morning, Dec. 13th and were kept at work until the following Tuesday. The following is a list of the cases that came before the court.

State of Arizona vs. Blas Lazano for the murder of "Red" McDonald at Allantown. George Estes and A. S. Gibbons attorneys for defendant. Ruiz and Overson of Gallup assisted attorney Gilbert E. Greer in the prosecution. After a grind of nearly two days the case was turned over to the jury which returned the verdict of guilty of murder in second degree. He was sentenced to 25 years imprisonment in the State penitentiary.

Victor Huizar charged with the murder of Curt Cronmeyer of Allantown, plead guilty of murder in the second degree and was given a sentence of 25 years imprisonment.

The next case was State of Arizona vs. Hustin, a Navajo Indian, charged with manslaughter. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

In the case of the State of Arizona vs. Lorenzo Silva, Grand Larceny. Jury returned a verdict of guilty and Judge Geo. H. Crosby, Jr. placed the sentence at 5 years imprisonment and replacing the cow which was lost because of the calf being stolen, to I. Isaacson, Jr. The sentence was suspended, defendant charged to report in person quarterly during the period of five years to the Judge of Superior Court.

State of Arizona vs. D. B. Baca charged with violation of Prohibition. Jury returned a verdict of guilty and sentence will be given today. Attorney Isaac Barth acting for Mr. Baca.

State of Arizona vs. Felix Gardea, charged with rape upon a Navajo Indian woman. Jury after remaining out all night reported that they could not agree

on a verdict. Case will come up at next term of court. Defendants bail was fixed at \$1000.

The court has now before it the hearing for establishing heirs to the Cronmeyer estate, an estate amounting to about \$44,000. Peter Paquette has been appointed guardian of the two Navajo Indian children who are alleged to be children of Curt Cronmeyer, deceased.

Miss Inez Garcia informs us that she will leave for Denver next Monday, Dec. 27th. She has been employed by Mr. John F. Church of that city. Mr. Church and family are to be congratulated upon securing the services of Miss Garcia. Inez's many friends here in St. Johns are glad to hear of her success in securing a position with Mr. Church's family but are sorry to part with her.

Sheriff Hamblin and Deputy Sheriff W. H. Gibbons left yesterday for Florence, taking with them Blas Lazano and Victor Huizar, the two prisoners convicted of the killing of Curt Cronmeyer and "Red" McDonald, at Allantown and who were tried at the December term of court, and sentenced to 25 years in the State Penitentiary.

Mrs. Duane Hamblin and Dalbert Willden came in last Saturday, from Ramah, New Mexico. Mrs. Hamblin, we are informed, will spend the Christmas holidays with her daughters, Misses Eva and Polly who are attending the Academy this winter, and visiting with her many friends and relatives here.

John F. Sherwood came in this week from his sawmill. He reports that his mill is closed for the winter because of the extreme cold weather freezing the water up.

Mr. and Mrs. Genero Acosta are receiving congratulations because of the arrival of a sweet Miss at their home at 9 o'clock p. m., Dec. 20th.

Abraham Lincoln said: "I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to what light I have. I must stand with anybody that is right, and part of him when he goes wrong."